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C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN NEW YORK 03152

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, SF, WA  
SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: CONTACT GROUP DISCUSSION OF THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF LIAISON OFFICES IN WINDHOEK

REF: (A) USUN 3096, (B) PRETORIA 4510, (C) STATE 198370

1. THE CONTACT GROUP DISCUSSED AUGUST 8 THE VIEWS OF  
CAPITALS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LIAISON OFFICES IN  
WINDHOEK. THE FRENCH AND CANADIANS STATED THAT THEIR  
GOVERNMENTS HAVE NO PLANS TO OPEN OFFICES IN WINDHOEK,  
AND THE GERMANS REPORTED THAT BONN BELIEVES IT WOULD  
BE PREMATURE TO REOPEN THEIR OFFICE AT PRESENT. THE  
BRITISH REPORTED THAT LONDON'S ORIGINAL INTEREST IN A  
LIAISON OFFICE SEEMS TO HAVE DIMINISHED AT LEAST FOR  
NOW AS A RESULT OF AHTISAARI'S STATEMENT (REF A) THAT  
THE UN SURVEY MISSION'S CREDIBILITY WOULD NOT BE  
HELPED BY A PRESENCE OF THE FIVE IN WINDHOEK. WE  
INFORMED THE GROUP THAT EMBASSY PRETORIA HAD MADE  
PREPARATIONS, ON A CONTINGENCY BASIS ONLY, FOR A  
LIAISON OFFICE IN WINDHOEK BUT THAT NO FURTHER ACTION  
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WAS BEING TAKEN AT THE PRESENT TIME.

2. THE GROUP AGREED TO RECOMMEND TO CAPITALS THAT NO  
LIAISON OFFICES BE ESTABLISHED IN WINDHOEK PRIOR TO  
THE START OF THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD AND THAT,  
FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE SURVEY MISSION, THE GROUP  
DISCUSS AGAIN THE ADVISABILITY OF A PRESENCE OF THE

FIVE IN NAMIBIA DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD. YOUNG

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